Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-8 (canceled)

9. (new) A yarn withdrawal nozzle for an open-end rotor spinning arrangement having a nozzle body defining a yarn withdrawal pathway, a coaxially-arranged yarn twisting structure comprised of discrete concentric circular beads or grooves of different diameters spaced apart along the yarn withdrawal pathway, and notches spaced radially apart from one another at a location downstream from the coaxially-arranged structure in the traveling direction of the yarn along the yarn withdrawal pathway.

10. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein the yarn withdrawal pathway includes a tapering funnel area, the circular beads or grooves being arranged, axially spaced apart, in the tapering funnel area.

11. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein the yarn withdrawal pathway includes a tapering funnel area, the circular beads or grooves being arranged, radially spaced apart, upstream of the funnel area in the traveling direction of the yarn.

12. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein two to six beads or grooves are provided.

13. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein three to eight notches are provided downstream from the coaxially-arranged structure in the traveling direction of the yarn along the yarn withdrawal pathway.

14. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein the yarn withdrawal nozzle has a surface that is polished at least in the tapering yarn inlet area.

15. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein the yarn withdrawal nozzle is comprised of a heavy-duty ceramic material distinguished by a special fine grained texture and high density.

16. (new) The yarn withdrawal nozzle in accordance with claim 9, wherein the yarn withdrawal nozzle is produced by injection molding or diecasting.